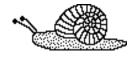
# **Summer Activities**

Welcome to Warriors' Path State Park! We hope you will enjoy your visit! While you are with us, we invite you to take advantage of the rich natural beauty and wealth of opportunities for enjoyable recreation here at the park.

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#### **MONDAY, JULY 12**

- **1:00 PM** MID-DAY STROLL Enjoy the cool, the peace and the special discoveries of mid-day in the forest. Meet at the main bath house for a short, refreshing hike.
- **3:00 PM PESKY PLANTS WALK** Some plants and trees just don't fit in. Come find out how these "invaders" traveled here, and how they affect our native species. Meet at the main bath house for a short hike.
- **5:00 PM SPIDERS** Come discover more about our eight-legged neighbors! These tiny web-spinners have some incredible stories to tell. Meet at the main bath house.
- **7:00 PM** FIRE BUILDING TIPS It's just not camping without a campfire! But there are ways to make your campfire safer for us, and for our park land. Meet at the campfire circle, east end of the campground for some tips.
- **9:00 PM** RIDDLING CAMPFIRE What a great combination: A dark night, a bright fire, and some traditional riddles. Meet at the campfire circle, east end of the main campground. If it is raining, we'll have an indoor "campfire" at the pool entrance.

## **TUESDAY JULY 13**

- **9:30 AM GETTING INTO GALLS -** Did you know that plants get "warts" too? Come find the amazing story behind those strange little bumps on leaves and twigs. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- 11:00 AM SQUIRREL SEARCH The more we watch these grey furry neighbors, the more we can discover about their fascinating lives. Meet at the Open Air Chapel for some critter behavior studies.
- **12 NOON BAT & MOTH -** Use your ears and your "bug hunting" skills! See if you could survive a night out in the woods and fields -- **if** you were a flying bug! Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- **2:00 PM** NAME THAT BIRD TUNE Bird songs are more than just pretty music! See how well you can learn to recognize who is singing these complex bird messages. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.



## **TUESDAY, CONTINUED:**

- **3:00 PM GRAND-DADDY WHO? -** Granddaddy Long Legs may be creepy crawlers, but they are also an important part of the forest community. Come take a short hike to search for our little grand-daddies, and to discover more about these misunderstood leggy neighbors. Meet at the camper check-in station.
- **5:00 PM** FIELD SWEEP This green world at our feet is teeming with amazing life. Help us "sweep up" some field discoveries. Meet at the campfire circle, east end of the main campground.
- **7:00 PM SKULLS NATURE'S TOOL BOX -** Every animal carries along all the tools it needs for survival! Come investigate some natural "tool boxes," and find out more about each animal's job! Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- **9:00 PM NIGHT SOUNDS** Nature is full of sounds when the sun goes down! Some seem eerie, but there's no need to be nervous. Come find out whose noise is whose. Meet at the Open Air Chapel for a short slide show of the creatures who "talk" in the night! (At the pool entrance if it is raining.)

## **WEDNESDAY JULY 14**

- **9:30 AM WAKE UP WALK** Let's wake up our senses to morning in the forest. Meet at the main bath house for a refreshing morning walk.
- 11:30 AM BIKE RIDE TO SHIPLEY CEMETERY -Long years before this was a park, it was the Shipley family farm. As we visit their family cemetery, and the green hills beyond, we can get a better feeling for their land and their lives. Pedal on down to the camper check-in station. Note that ALL riders MUST wear a bicycle helmet. Children 10 or under must be accompanied by an adult!
- 1:00 PM WATER BALLOON VOLLEYBALL What a great way to cool off! Enjoy an exciting liquid game!! Meet at the campfire circle, east end of the campground. (meet rain or shine we'll be wet anyway!)
- **2:00 PM HERBAL AND MEDICINAL PLANTS** Come see what our ancestors ate and what they used to cure their ills. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- **3:00 PM 4-LEGGED FRIENDS HIKE -** Let's go hiking with our puppies! Bring your dog along on this easy hike through the woods. Note that all dogs MUST be on a leash! Meet at the main bath house.
- **5:00 PM PAW PRINT NOTE CARDS** Create your own personalized note cards, using local animal's tracks! Your unique design is only a "footstep" away. Meet at the main bath house.
- **7:00 PM**BIKE RIDE TO THE DUCK ISLAND Meet at the camper check-in station and we'll pedal on down to Duck Island! We'll have a chance to watch the ducks, and discover more about their fascinating behavior! Note that ALL riders MUST wear a bicycle helmet. Children 10 or under must be accompanied by an adult!
- **9:00 PM STORY HOUR** Evening is a perfect time to share a story! After a busy day enjoying all the excitement of your camping trip, come hear some great children's stories under a big shade tree! Meet at the Open Air Chapel, (or pool entrance if it is raining.)

#### **THURSDAY JULY 15**

- **9:30 AM BIRD'S EYE VIEW** Take a hike to the Overlook and look at our world from a different perspective. Don't forget your camera! Meet at the camper check-in station.
- 11:00 AM SPIDER SCAVENGER HUNT Come discover more about our eight-legged neighbors! These tiny web-spinners have some incredible stories to tell. Meet at the main bath house.
- **NATURE SKETCHING -** Train your eyes to notice the amazing details in nature. Create a lasting souvenir of your discoveries in the park. All it takes is a pencil and a piece of paper!Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.
- **2:00 PM LICHENS** Come walk to discover some of our park's most amazing plants! You'll really "take a liking" to them! Meet at the main bath house.
- **4:00 PM WHO AM I?** Let's play a game of twenty questions with a new natural twist! Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or the main bath house if it is raining.
- **6:00 PM**MEET THE OWLS Meet some real live feathered hunters. Come to the Open Air Chapel and see "whooo…" is waiting for you. If it is raining, meet at the main bath house.
- **9:00 PM NIGHT HIKE TO SINKING WATERS -** It's a whole different world out there at night! Tonight is our chance to discover the peace and the excitement of a night in the Sinking Waters wetland. Bring a dim flashlight and drive to the camper check-in station. We'll carpool out to the park back country.

#### **FRIDAY JULY 16**

- **8:30 AM BREAKFAST WITH THE BIRDS** Come wake up to our feathered neighbors. Meet at the main bath house to begin a stroll through bird country! (The first 12 people to come get free doughnut & juice!)
- **11:00 AM LAKESIDE HIKE** Let's enjoy a peaceful mid-morning hike and find some different habitats along the Lakeshore trail. Meet at the main bath house.
- **12 NOON CREATE A FOREST** Here's your chance to design your own woodland habitat! Meet at the Open Air Chapel, and bring your ingenuity. We'll supply all the planning tools. If it is raining, meet at the main bath house.
- **2:00 PM TOMAHAWK THROWING -** Try your hand at an old-timey skill. Can you hit the "log bullseye?" Meet at the Open Air Chapel.
- **4:00 PM CHARCOAL ART -** With a few artistic tools, and a bit of drawing skill, you can create a beautiful picture of what our park was, and is, and will be. Meet at the main bath house to create a park masterpiece!
- **6:00 PM OLD TIMEY GAMES** Enjoy some good-old fun! Try some games from the early settlement days of East Tennessee. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it's raining.
- **9:00 PM TENNESSEE TALES** Enjoy a slide-illustrated talk on Tennessee Folklife, and then share some good-old traditional tall tales. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or pool entrance if it rains.

#### **SATURDAY JULY 17**

**9:30 AM FALL CREEK LOOP TRAIL** -Let's hike the park's most scenic trail! Enjoy beautiful vistas of the summer fields, as we search for signs of the unique habitats in the open country. Drive to the camper check-in station, and we'll carpool to the start of a two hour hike.

**11:00 AM PAPER MAKING** - Here's a great way to recycle, and create your own handmade paper. Meet at the main bath house.

**12 NOON MICRO SAFARI** - Let's follow the "hidden trails" to new discovery. Meet at the main bath house.

**3:00 PM**BIKE RIDE AND STREAM STOMP - Come explore life in the muddy places. That cool creek water sure will feel good after a warm bike ride. Pedal on down to the camper check-in station, and we'll ride down to the creek. Be sure to wear old clothes and shoes - we will get wet and muddy! Note that ALL riders MUST wear a bicycle helmet. Children 10 or under must be accompanied by an adult!

**6:00 PM TURTLE TALK** - Meet some real, live "shelled friends" and find out more about their amazing lives. Meet at the Open Air Chapel, or main bath house if it is raining.

**9:00 PM** NATURE'S FIREWORKS - Whether we call them fireflies or lightning bugs,we sure do enjoy seeing how such a little "bug" can light up the night! Tonight we can enjoy their "light show" and find out more about their amazing lives. Meet at the benches behind the Overflow Campground bath house.

#### **SUNDAY, JULY 18**

**9:30 AM WORSHIP SERVICE** - Enjoy a peaceful morning worship service at the Open Air Chapel, or at the pool entrance if it is raining. Sponsored by the Colonial Heights Baptist Church

**SPECIAL NOTE:** We work hard to make our programs both safe and fun! However, as with any outdoor activity, there is always a risk of personal discomfort or even personal injury. Please use your common sense and care whenever you enjoy activities in the **Great Tennessee Outdoors.** 

